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1. WIDESPREAD SUPPORT FOR THE CARTER ENERGY PROGRAM AND CARTER HIMSELF CHARACTERIZES EDITORIALS IN LEADING SWEDISH PAPERS OVER THE WEEKEND.

2. LIBERAL EXPRESSEN APRIL 23: "...IT IS INCREDIBLE THAT PRESIDENT CARTER SHOULD FEEL OBLIGED TO APPEAL TO THE PATRIOTISM AND NEED FOR NATIONAL UNITY OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE TO INDUCE THEM TO ACCEPT HIS ENERGY PROGRAM. IF THERE IS ANY PLACE IN THIS WORLD WHERE THERE IS SUFFICIENT SCOPE FOR ENERGY-SAVING MEASURES IT IS THE UNITED STATES. CARTER...IS NOT ADVOCATING A RETURN TO CONDITIONS EXISTING IN THE MIDDLE AGES--. NOT EVEN TO THE CONDITIONS THAT EXISTED IN THE 1920'S....CARTER COULD NOT POSSIBLY HAVE CHOSEN A MORE OPPORTUNE TIME FOR PRESENTING HIS PROGRAM. HIS POPULARITY CURVE HAS BEEN STEADILY RISING
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EVER SINCE HE ASSUMED OFFICE. HE CAN NOW AFFORD TO DROP BACK SLIGHTLY. BUT IT IS NOT AT ALL CERTAIN THAT HIS POPULARITY WILL DECLINE. HIS MESSAGE FROM BEGINNING TO END BEARS THE STAMP OF THE KIND OF SINCERITY AND HONESTY WHICH HE WANTS TO SEE ASSOCIATED WITH THE PRESIDENCY. HE HAS NOT MADE ANY BEAUTIFUL PROMISES. HE HAS NOT TRIED TO FOOL ANYONE THAT THE CHANGES WILL NOT BE NOTICED, THAT EVERYTHING WILL BE

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LIKE BEFORE."

3. CONSERVATIVE SVENSKA DAGBLADET APRIL 23: "THE MAIN IMPRESSIONS THAT HAVE BEEN GAINED THUS FAR ARE THAT PRESIDENT CARTER, CONSIDERING THAT HE IS SO NEW IN OFFICE, HAS SHOWN A GREAT DEAL OF COURAGE BY PRESENTING TO THE CONGRESS A PROGRAM WHICH, IN MANY RESPECTS, IS REVOLUTIONARY."

4. INDEPENDENT LIBERAL DAGENS NYHETER APRIL 22: "IF CARTER SHOULD SUCCEED IT WOULD IMPLY A CURBING OF THE FREEDOM TO MANUFACTURE AND CONSUME WHATEVER ONE WANTS NO MATTER HOW COSTLY, WASTEFUL AND POLLUTING.....PROVIDED ONE CAN AFFORD TO PAY. IF HE SHOULD FAIL, ON THE OTHER HAND, TO LAY THE FOUNDATION FOR A LASTING ENERGY POLICY WHICH WOULD INSURE ECOLOGICAL BALANCE WITH NATURE'S RESOURCES AND ITS CAPACITY TO BREAK DOWN WASTE MATERIALS, LARGE SEGMENTS OF THE INDUSTRIAL WORLD WILL BE DRAWN INTO THE DOWNFALL."

5. LIBERAL GOTEBORG'S POSTEN APRIL 22: "...THE AMERICAN PRESIDENT HAS NOW SET ABOUT TACKLING WHAT WILL PROBABLY BE THE BIGGEST AND MOST DIFFICULT INTERNAL PROBLEM HE WILL EVER MEET DURING HIS PRESIDENCY--THAT IS, A SOLUTION OF USA'S ENERGY PROBLEM. THERE IS ONLY ONE ROAD TO TAKE: THE ONE LEADING AWAY FROM THE PRESENT ALMOST TOTAL DEPENDENCE ON OIL AS A SOURCE OF ENERGY.....IN ANY EVENT, PRESIDENT CARTER IN PRESENTING HIS ENERGY PROGRAM HAS GIVEN PROOF OF HIS STRENGTH AND CAPABILITY OF LEADING THE NATION.....IF (HE) SUCCEEDS IN HIS INTENTIONS THEY WILL HAVE A DECISIVE INFLUENCE FOR THE UNITED STATES AS WELL AS FOR THE REST OF THE WESTERN WORLD'S VIEW ON
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THE ENERGY PROBLEM."
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